

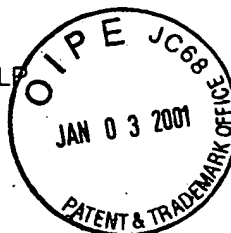


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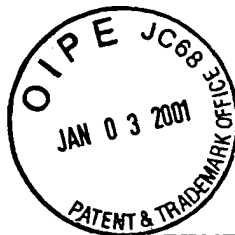
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Please associate this translation with the application as filed on September 22, 2000 and assigned serial number 09/667,768.

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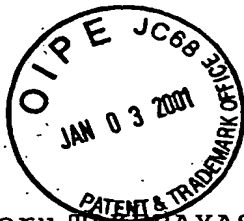
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